

Coming up

Roots & Shoots, our Sunday afternoon event for children and families: 2nd December, 3.00 - 5.00pm at Elmdon Church. Free entry and tea. Help with catering welcome: please speak to Kelly.

Birmingham Concert Band: Monday 3rd December, 7.45pm at the church hall on Coppice Road. Tickets £5 from Pat Lyons or Marilyn.

Christmas Craft Fair: Friday 7th December, 3.00 - 8.00pm on Coppice Road.

Advent prayer night: Tuesday 11th December, 8.00pm at Elmdon Church.

Christmas crafts and Crib Service: Sunday 16th December, 3.00pm at Elmdon Church. We need help to set up beforehand. Please see Kelly.

Also...

Large-print prayer sheets: Should we continue to produce these? How much are they used? Please let Toby know if you find them helpful.

First aid course: Would anybody be interested? Please speak to Kelly.

Mamad and Zainab are getting married next month in Turkey. Please speak to Toby if you would like to contribute to a wedding gift.

Christianity Explored and **Start!**: We will be advertising dates for these courses soon. Please speak to Toby if you want to take part.

Francis Sender, our Crosslinks study partner in Uganda, recently had his laptop stolen. The PCC has agreed to fund the cost of a replacement. If anyone wants to contribute towards this, please speak to Lesley Huss or Eli Malkin.

Missed a Sunday? You can now find our Podcast on iTunes and Spotify – just search for "Elmdon Church Sermons".

Eco tip: Plastic straws kill and harm wildlife in our oceans and take 200 years to decompose. Say 'no straw, please' when ordering your drink.

News for 2nd December edition (40 words max) by 7pm on Wednesday 28th November to news@elmdonchurch.org please. We are an EcoChurch and this document is printed on recycled paper. It is also available on our website and via email.



"The Church in the Park"

25th November 2018

"The Scriptures must be fulfilled."

Mark chapter fourteen, verse 49 (Church Bibles, page 1021)

Welcome to Elmdon Church. It's lovely to see you!

Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion, all ages together.

Rob Dean will speak on Mark 14:43 - 52.

Got a question? Email sermon.questions@elmdonchurch.org

Refreshments training after the service

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church

In the week

Mon 26 Nov **Afternoon Praise**: 2.00pm at Gaydon Road.
Tue 27 Nov **Women's Bible study**: 10.00am at Elmdon Church.
Afternoon Praise: 2.00pm at Coppice Road.
Wed 28 Nov **Acorns** toddler group: 9.30am at Elmdon Church.
Bible study group: 1.30pm at 706 Old Lode Lane.
Bible study group: 7.30pm at 219 Damson Lane.

Rector Revd Toby Crowe **Children & Families' Worker** Kelly Purdy
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Read & pray...

Monday *Mark 14:43 - 52*

- The continuing Brexit negotiations, now being conducted within the Conservative Party and the UK parliament.
- Christian residents of Valley Road and Ventnor Road, that they might be confident in sharing their faith with their neighbours.
- Our Holy Communion service at Barons Court, taking place today.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Will Adderley, Brian Clayton, Sue Graesser and Judith Kemp.

Tuesday *Daniel 2:17 - 23*

- Children and adults gripped by the growing famine in Yemen.
- Security services personnel as they strive to keep us safe from harm.
- Church members who attended the quiet day on Saturday, that it will have been a blessing to them.
- Those who are sick, including Dave Kimber and Sarah Lea.

Wednesday *Daniel 2:24 - 49*

- All involved in combatting corruption and injustice.
- Unbelieving residents of Valley Road and Ventnor Road, that they might come to know and follow Jesus as Saviour and Lord.
- The children and adults who come to Acorns today.
- Church members: John & Jean Eyles, Margaret Freeman.

Thursday *Daniel 3:1 - 7*

- Migrants from South America who are being held at the US border.
- Plans by Virgin to take over Flybe, so securing many jobs (including the ones at Birmingham Airport).
- Toby Crowe, preparing to preach on Sunday, and all who will be leading groups for children and young people in that service.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Brian Smith, Dorothy Walton and Olive Yates.

What do Christians believe? Visit www.twowaystolive.com

Friday *Daniel 3:8 - 18*

- The protection of habitats which are threatened by human development.
- The work of the Samaritans and other befriending services at a time of great need.
- Asia Bibi, our sister in Pakistan, being hunted house to house by Islamists.
- Those who are sick, including Phil Nunnerley and Mary Reynolds.

Saturday *Daniel 3:19 - 30*

- The people of Iran, suffering under new sanctions imposed by the US.
- Local people involved in Street Watch, trying to keep our area crime-free.
- Chris and Jackie, being married at Elmdon Church this afternoon.
- Church members: Sheena Gardner & David, Ann Harris, Joy Hoban.

Sunday *Mark 14:53 - 72*

- Christians around the world as we enter Advent: the season which reminds us that we are always a people who are waiting until He comes.
- Our service this morning, that all who attend will meet Jesus Christ as we study his word together, gather round his table, and pray.
- Children and families coming to our Advent Roots & Shoots this afternoon.
- Future possibilities for the evangelism of our area, unhindered by the burdens of the past.

Please send prayer requests to prayer@elmdonchurch.org and note that names will usually appear for a month at a time.

You can receive these prayers through the free PrayerMate app or by our daily email bulletin. Details at www.elmdonchurch.org/prayer

We have a prayer chain for urgent prayer needs. Please email prayer@elmdonchurch.org or call 0121-743 6336.

Next Sunday, 2nd December

10.30am Holy Communion with groups for children and young people.
Toby Crowe will speak on Mark 14:53 - 72.

3.00 - 5.00pm Roots & Shoots

A monthly event for children and their families. Free entry. Tea provided.